

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

Date of Deposit: October 24, 2003

Typed or printed name: Tanra E. Paulin

Signature: [Signature]

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Sutapa Bhaduri et al.

Serial No: 10/052,291

Filed: January 18, 2002

For: Metal Part Having A Dense Core  
And Porous Periphery,  
Biocompatible Prosthesis And  
Microwave Sintering

)  
) Attorney

) Docket Number: IDRF113

)  
) Group Art Unit: 3732

)  
) Examiner: Melba N. Bumgarner

October 24, 2003

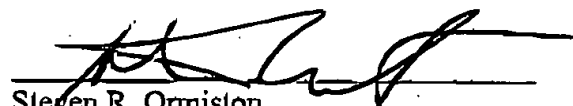
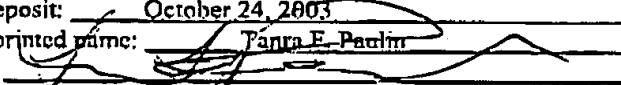
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**ELECTION**

In response to the Election/Restrictions in the Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 1-7, drawn to a solid part, in this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]  
Steven R. Ormiston  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 35,974

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b> Under Small Entity Status				Attorney Docket No: IDR113		
Application Serial Number: 10/052291	Filing Date: 1/18/2002	Examiner: McIba N. Bumgarner	Group Art Unit: 3732			
Invention: METAL PART HAVING A DENSE CORE AND POROUS PERIPHERY, BIOCOMPATIBLE PROSTHESIS AND MICROWAVE SINTERING						
TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		0	\$9	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		0	\$42	\$ 0.00
_____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>9/24/2003</u> to and through _____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div>           _____ one month (\$55)            _____ two months (\$205)         </div> <div>           _____ three months (\$465)            _____ four months (\$725)         </div> </div>						
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>						<b>\$0.00</b>
_____ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached. _____ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account _____. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required.						
<u>10/24/2003</u> date			 Steven R. Ormiston Reg. No. 35974			
<b><u>CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION</u></b>						
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.						
Date of Deposit: <u>October 24, 2003</u>						
Typed or printed name: <u>Patricia E. Paulin</u>						
Signature: 						

**ORMISTON & MCKINNEY, PLLC**  
**ATTORNEYS AT LAW**

Steven R. Ormiston  
Ormiston@micron.net

Jack H. McKinney  
mckinney@idahopatents.com

Hoff Building  
802 W. Bannock, Suite 400  
P.O. Box 298  
Boise, Idaho 83701  
Telephone: (208) 433-1991  
FAX: (208) 433-9295

**FAX COVER SHEET**

October 24, 2003

**Confidentiality Notice:** This message is intended only for the use of the individual or entity to which it is addressed and may contain information that is privileged, confidential, and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone and destroy the original message. Thank you.

**TO:** Examiner Melba N. Bumgarner  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Group Art Unit: 3732

FAX number: (703) 308-2708 / *703/306-4520*  
Voice number: (703) 305-0740

**FROM:** Steven R. Ormiston

**RE:** Serial No. 10/052,291

**PAGES:** Number of pages, including this cover sheet: 3

**ADDITIONAL MESSAGE:**

Attached for filing are the following documents:

1. Amendment Transmittal
2. Election

**FAX RECEIVED**

OCT 27 2003

GROUP 3700